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Enclosed is form PTO-1449 listing 117 references that are of record in U.S. patent application No. 09/968,272, filed October 1, 2001, which is the parent of this continuation application, and is relied upon for an earlier filing date under 35 U.S.C. § 120. Copies of the references are not submitted pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d).

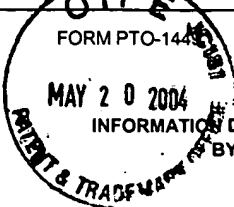
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